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Response

Claims 1-7, and 11-16 are pending. On entry of this amendment claims 1-7 and 11-17 are presented for examination.

The Examiner has restricted the claims to a single species of calcium-coupled protein. Applicants respectfully traverse this restriction.

Applicants elect the species of a calcium coupled G-protein coupled receptor. Applicants submit that this election does not prejudice Applicants' pursuit of this or any other species, or claim in this or a related application. Applicants submit that claims 1-7 and 11-16 are readable on the elected species.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that all claims are allowable as written and respectfully request early favorable action by the Examiner. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned attorney of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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Marked-up version of amendment

6. (Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein [the] said G-protein [calcium]-coupled receptor [protein] is a recombinant G-protein-coupled receptor.